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REPORTS

—OF THE—

Selectmen and other Town Officers,

—OF—

LEMPSTER, N. H.

—INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE—

Superintending School Committee,

—FOR THE—

Year Ending March 1st. 1878.

CHARLESTOWN, N. H.

DAVID S. HAMLIN, BOOK & JOB PRINTER.

1878.

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REPORT

—OF THE—

OFFICERS OF THE

Town of Lempster,

For the year ending March 1st., 1878.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES.

The town of LEMPSTER, in account with the Selectmen for 1877-8.

Cash in hands of Treas. Mar. 1st. 1877,...	\$ 778 15
Last annual assessment.....	4555 63
Remaining on tax bill, 1876.....	562 44
“ “ 1875.....	375 42
“ “ 1874.....	115 45
Borrowed of Rebecca G. Dodge.....	800 00
“ Kimball Pollard.....	300 00
“ Truman Pollard.....	400 00

Received of the County for support paupers,	242 95
" of A. J. Mitchell, guardian }	
Susan Richardson, County pauper, }	35 43
Received of the State, Sav. B'k tax, 1877.	370 70
" of the State Literary Fund "	48 16
" rent on school land,.....	14 16
" Interest on tax bill, 1874,.....	18 53
" " " 1875,.....	16 00
" " " 1876,.....	24 87
" " " 1877,.....	13 08
" From liquor agent.....	62 28
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	\$ 8733 25

EXPENDITURES.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST., 1878.

TOWN OFFICERS PAID TO MARCH 12, 1878.

Paid Wm. B. Parker, services as Auditor,	\$ 2 00
" Wm. C. Sabine, " "	2 00
" Hiram Parker, services as Selectman & Overseer of Poor, }	58 50
Paid K. Pollard, services as Selectman & Overseer of Poor, until Nov. 1st., 1877, }	23 00
Paid Homer Beckwith, services as Select- man and Overseer of Poor, }	36 00
Paid E. B. Richardson, services as Town Clerk,	24 00
" Chas. Stafford, services Superintend- ing School Committee, }	34 00
Paid L. B. Allen, services as Town Treas.,	20 00
" Geo. W. Hurd, services as Collector,	45 55
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	\$245 05

EXPENDITURE
FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Dist. No. 1, Henry Allen,	\$ 94 34
" 2, Matthew Jameson,	79 79

Dist. No .3, Ceylon M. Dodge,	82 86
“ 4, Francis C. Carey,	68 62
“ 5, Frank G. Pollard,	54 87
“ 6, Reuben G. Howe,	39 64
“ 7, Dennison Nichols,	83 42
“ 8, Martin L. Keyes,	94 15
“ 9, Geo. W. Town,	49 58
Hiram Parker, for High School,	150 00
Duren S. Honey's School tax paid to Acworth,	5 43
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	\$ 802 97

DAMAGES BY DOGS.

Wm. T. Thissell.....	\$ 6 00
Henry Hurd.....	5 00
Wilson Thompson.....	3 00
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	\$ 14 00

NOTES TAKEN UP AND INDORSEMENTS.

Rebecca G. Dodge, note taken up,	\$ 840 00
Emily Eaton, indorsement on note,	14 50
Abigail Blanchard, note taken up,	107 00
Marietta Blanchard, indorsement on note,	7 50
Aira B. Moore, “ “ “	35 00
Esther Booth, “ “ “	35 00
Olive M. Sabin, note taken up,	51 85
Wm. B. Parker for Universalist Society, } indorsement on note,	60 00
Kimball Pollard, note taken up,	303 75
Aaron Carr's Estate, note taken up,	1072 70
Hiram Parker, for Soldier's Monument } Association, note taken up,	291 00
Freeman Pollard, indorsement on note,	100 00
Samuel Blanchard, “ “	160 00
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	\$ 3078 30

BREAKING HIGHWAYS.

Charles M. Booth.....	\$ 7 65
Wm. Huntoon.....	2 25
Warren J. Wright.....	2 90
Oliver E. Paige.....	16 15
Milan Noyes.....	24 55
William A. Morrison.....	7 10
Homer Beckwith.....	5 60
William B. Parker.....	26 47
Andrew J. Parker.....	5 25
Ezra Miller.....	5 65
Wm. S. Thissell.....	5 80
Henry Walker.....	17 10
Charles R. Jones.....	5 00
Reuben G. Howe.....	50 00
Asbury F. Perley.....	4 40
Mathew Jameson Jr.....	19 15
Dennison Nichols.....	8 95
Truman Pollard.....	9 05
Eleazor F. Tandy.....	8 15

\$ 231 97

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Laura A. Moore, support John Wheeler,	\$ 51 75
John Nichols, " Family,	70 00
Dan Gale, " S. Richardson,	72 50
George W. Town. " Dolly Town,	5 00
Wm. W. Darling, med. attendance J. Lewis,	12 00
Samuel Richardson, support Isaac Kirby,	33 00
Lucius Purmort " J. Lewis,	36 96
J. N. Butler, med. attendance J. Wheeler,	1 07
E. B. Richardson, goods furnished J. Wheeler,	2 05

\$ 284 33

SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

L. Perry, for support E. Nichols & wife,	\$56 75
H. Walker, " " "	43 50
" articles furnished E. Nichols & wife	5 96

A. B. Sabin, support of E. Nichols & wife,	20	50
H. Walker, " " "	72	00
" articles furnished " "	12	83
J. N. Butler, med. attendance " "	12	79
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	\$	224 33

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Abatement on tax bill, 1874.....	\$	41	47
" " " 1875.....		65	11
" " " 1876.....		39	89
" " " 1877,.....		64	68
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	\$	211	15

PLANK AND LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

M. Beckwith, 2nd., labor on highway,	\$	5	00
Stephen Allen, " "		2	15
Geo. C. Miller, " "		7	25
Paige & Pollard, 2124 ft. plank and timber,		22	24
Kimball Pollard, 42 hours labor on highway,		5	00
" " 28 " and use of tools,		4	25
Homer Beckwith, repairing bridge,		2	50
Henry E. Huntly, cutting bushes,		1	50
Wm. Huntoon, 14 hours labor on highway,		2	00
J. H. Huntly, 100 ft. timber & 20 hours labor,		3	85
D. Nichols, bridge plank and labor,		5	85
Chas. Putnam, 192 ft. plank,		1	59
Arvin S. Roundy, repairing bridge,		1	00
John O'Brien, labor,		2	00
Chas. Putnam, 1585 ft. plank,		12	46
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	\$	78	64

MISCELLANEOUS.

David S. Hamlin, printing Reports of 1877,	12	00
E. B. Richardson, for wood, by vote of town.	1	50
E. C. Converse, books & stationery,	8	40
Entertainment of Selectmen while taking } invoice and making taxes. }	9	00
J. N. Butler, for recording births & deaths,	4	00

Repairing Town House,	5 75
Wm. F. Bellows, fixing settees in T. house,	1 00
Geo. W. Town, services as Sexton,	18 00
Chas. R. Jones, " driving hearse,	11 00
Timothy Bruce, mowing cemetery,	4 00
Record Book, Check list, Town warrant, &c.,	7 50
Expenses to pay State tax,	2 50
Chas. R. Jones, for care of Town house,	5 00
Wm. E. Way, oil & goods furnished town,	6 69
Michael Sweeney, repairing scraper,	50
E. B. Richardson, support of, furnish- } ing goods to paupers, }	4 40
Incidental expenses of Selectmen and over- } seer of poor, }	14 00
J. G. Robinson, supporting 17 tramps,	21 25
State tax,	584 00
County tax,	624 00
Lemuel Miller, tolling bell,	1 50
T. W. Bruce, " "	5 00
Non-resident Tax receipts on bill, 1874,	2 25
" " " 1875,	3 29
" " " 1877,	79 94
Bounty on foxes and hawks,	26 60
Due on tax bill of 1875,	80 00
" from Chas. Putnam, on tax bill of 1874,	5 97
" " J. S. Bingham, " " "	9 25
" on tax bill of 1877,	716 01
J. G. Robinson, entertainment of T. Officers,	7 00
C. A. Allen, recording births and deaths,	1 00
Andrew J. Mitchell, executing deed,	75
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	\$ 2283 09

The Selectmen & Treas. charge }	8733 25
themselves with the receipt of }	
The disbursements amount to	7453 83
Leaving a bal. in hands of Treas.,	———— \$ 1279 42

NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

Samuel Blanchard,	\$ 3200 00
J. W. Butler,	1835 00
Emily Eaton,	290 00

Ianthia Nichols,	1200 00
Aira B. Moore,	700 00
Esther Booth,	625 00
Universalist Society,	1000 00
Rebecca G. Dodge,	800 00
Henry Walker,	230 00
Andrew J. Parker,	130 00
Marietta Blanchard,	150 00
Stephen Allen,	425 00
Alfred Davis,	175 00
Ephraim Jennings,	500 00
Truman Pollard,	400 00

\$ 11660 00

Int. due on above notes Mar. 1, '78, 916 15

Amount of notes & interest, \$ 12576 15

ASSETS.

Indorsements on Town notes,	\$ 1635 00
In hands of Treasurer,	1279 42
“ “ Collector of 1877,	716 01
“ “ “ 1875,	80 00
Due from Chas. Putnam, on tax bill of 1874,	5 97
“ J. S. Bingham, “ “ “	9 25
“ County,	5 44
Due for rent on School land,	5 00

\$ 3736 09

Indebtedness of Town notes & interest, \$ 12576 15

Assets, 3736 09

Leaving a balance against the Town of \$ 8840 06

which shows a reduction of the debt of '77 of 1359 58

HIRAM PARKER, }
HOMER BECKWITH, } *Selectmen of*
 } *Lempster.*

We, the undersigned Auditors, appointed to settle with the Selectmen and Treasurer, have examined their accounts and find them well vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIAM B. BLAKE, }
WM. C. SABIN, } *Auditors.*

Lempster, March 4th, 1878.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Superintending School Committee,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING, MAR. 1st., 1878.

—:O:—

The Committee would respectfully submit the following condensed report of the Common Schools in the town of Lempster for the year ending Feb 27th., 1878.

The duties of School Superintendent are multifarious, and as he has only one guide—the statutes*—he needs at least a good share of common sense to properly supervise the schools, and see that they are manned by teachers qualified for their work, who will do honor to their calling, by raising the standard of education and discharging their duty so that the best results may be obtained.

Your Committee is able to report very favorably in regard to the condition of the Schools in Lempster, and further, that they will compare well with the Schools of other Towns, as far as Scholarship is concerned, if not in numbers. They usually have been harmonious, and Teachers and pupils have co-operated in their efforts to make them efficient and profitable. The Schools are small and Terms short, so that in some respects, in

*What is required of School Committee.

certain localities, they can have only an apology for a School, there being so little money and so few Scholars to attend them. The most marked feature of improvement the last year has been, that the Scholars have been more punctual in their attendance, which makes a better record. This fact will be gratifying to all interested in regularity, uniformity and consistency. We think there has been, at least, 25 per cent improvement in regard to tardiness the present year, and for proof of this assumption, you are referred to the statistical report. There is, no doubt, still chance for improvement in the same direction. We would suggest that there be some changes in Text Books at an early date, where there has been no recent change made. With suitable books supplied in due time, for pupils sent to School, and employing the best Teachers to instruct them, there ordinarily can be no such thing as failure. There must be mutual improvement and success in every branch of study, and especially the financial interests will be subserved.

We have reported the Schools by Terms, consecutively in the main, and also, in a statistical aspect, so as to place the facts before the observer, that he may, at a glance, take the whole view, so as to save time and expense.

Having attended to the arduous duties, devolving upon us as Committee, we hope that, where we have failed to meet the needs of any School, we shall be pardoned for any seeming dereliction of duty. Where we have made mistakes, that have in any manner militated against the educational interests of the Town, or in any locality, they will be charitably passed by.

We have had but a single aim, and that has been to encourage culture, good order and studious habits, and thus raise a standard by which the *Youth* of this Town may be prepared, by a course of discipline, to take our places as citizens, when we pass from the active duties and responsible places of trust; and that we transfer to them our heritage and blessing, trusting that they will honorably and faithfully perform their duty, and perpetuate the principles of a free, intelligent, and honored people.

We regret very much that the report of the Fall School has not been forwarded in time to appear in this Report, as the Teacher assured us he would do in due time to be presented at the Town Meeting. We presume that MR. HOTALING has forgotten that the School Report has to be printed with the Town Report.

We have no hesitancy in saying that the School was a good one, and the money very well expended. MR. HOTALING was a superior Scholar, and a remarkable Teacher in every department of the School.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—Those who have not been tardy or absent during the School year, shall be constituted members of the “*Roll of Honor*.” Those who have been tardy or absent only once during the School year, are excused and marked *—

DISTRICT No. 1. SUMMER TERM—Length of School, 8 weeks. This Term of School was taught by MISS NETTIE E. ALLEN. MISS ALLEN is an experienced Teacher, and excels in the art of teaching, and has made a good record in her native Town as an instructor of youth. This Term was her most happy effort, and therefore was a perfect success, as the closing examination conclusively demonstrated to all present.

DISTRICT No. 1. WINTER TERM—Length of School, 8 weeks. MR. JOHN M. STEARNS was employed to teach this Term of School. This was his first effort, and though inexperienced, he did all he could to make it a pleasant and profitable School. In many respects he has the requisites of a good Teacher. His good nature, courage and perseverance, commend themselves to the consideration of all. No doubt the discipline, in this his first Term of School, will be an advantage to him in the future. The examination was very good at the close of the School. There were some excellent Scholars in this District, who acquitted themselves well the last day.

STATISTICAL REPORT BY TERMS.

	SUM. TERM.	W. TERM.
Wages Teacher and board, mo.	\$ 18 50	\$ 24 00
Whole Number of Scholars.	14	14

Average attendance,	13	14
No. visits Superintending S. Com.,	2	2
“ “ Prudential Committee,	1	1
“ “ by citizens,	19	22
“ pupils attended to reading,	14	14
Spelling,	14	14
Penmanship,	8	
Arithmetic,	10	14
Geography,	3	7
Grammar,	3	5
Composition,	3	
Drawing,	1	
Algebra,	2	3
Philosophy,	1	
Instances of Tardiness, •	4	7
“ Absence,	29	2

ROLL OF HONOR.

Lillian E. Howe, Martha Mitchell, Minnie F. Howe, Nellie J. Mitchell, Luie L. Miller,* Effie V. Howe, Ella M. Evans,* Ellen Sweeny,* Birtie G. Evans,* Frank Newton, Elmer E. Howe,* Abraham Mitchell.

DISTRICT No. 2. SUMMER TERM—Length of School 7 weeks. This School was taught by Miss NETTIE L. STEARNS. Miss STEARNS is an excellent scholar, and for the first Term displayed considerable tact in her management of the School, and succeeded very well in her effort to instruct the pupils under her charge, and the Scholars, though most of them quite small, made good improvement. The examination was praiseworthy indeed, respecting the Teacher, and the efforts of the Scholars.

DISTRICT No. 2. WINTER TERM—Length of School, 8 2-3 weeks. Miss LOUISE M. JAMESON was secured to teach this Term of School. This was Miss J.'s third Term in this School District, and by her untiring efforts, she was successful in directing her pupils, and creating an unusual interest, so that their progress was certain. The close of the School was pleasant and interesting; rendered so by the prompt and usually cor-

rect answers to questions proposed. This Term commenced early in the Fall and closed before cold weather, so there was the advantage of good roads and comfortable weather, and the attendance was quite regular for the Term.

STATISTICAL REPORT BY TERMS.

	SUM. TERM.	W. TERM.
Wages Teacher and board, mo., \$	14 00	\$ 18 50
Whole Number of Scholars.....	12	10
Average attendance.....	11	9
No. visits Superintending S. Com.	2	1
“ Prudential Com.....	1	2
“ Citizens.....	21	16
“ pupils attended to reading,	12	9
Spelling.....	12	9
Arithmetic.....	7	6
Geography.....	2	1
Grammar.....	2	1
Instances of Tardiness.....	1	2
“ Absence.....	49	37

ROLL OF HONOR.

Jennie C. Jamison, Jennie L. Parker, Etta L. Gile, George W. Nichols, Willie N. Nichols.

DISTRICT No. 3. SUMMER TERM—Length of Term 9 weeks. This Term of School was taught by **MISS CORA F. SABIN**. **MISS SABIN** is a fine Scholar and a good Teacher. She has had considerable experience, and is quite self-possessed in the School room. The School was quiet and pleasant, and the Scholars made commendable progress during the Term. Each pupil was disposed to perform the task assigned, and by good deportment and punctuality made a good record for the School. The examination was thorough and interesting to the visitors present. The School was a *success*.

WINTER TERM—Length of Term 10 weeks. The services of **MR. WALTER PAIGE** were secured for the Winter Term of School. **MR. PAIGE** is a remarkable

Scholar and a very thorough Teacher. He sustained good order, and by his discipline, and the application of the Scholars to their studies, they excelled in the branches taken up during the entire Term. The classes in Arithmetic, Algebra and History of the U. States are deserving of particular mention, and in no School do we find a greater mathematical talent, considering the age of the pupils, or any that have made greater progress in the same length of time.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Hattie Paige,* Anna E. Stafford, Jennie L. Parker,* Cora F. Baker, Robert L. Hurd,* Wilbur F. Stafford,* Raymond Pollard,* Fred H. Cragin, Chas. C. Cragin, Frank E. Hurd,* Chester E. Pollard, Elbert E. Hurd.

DISTRICT No. 4. SUMMER TERM.—Length of Term 8 1-2 weeks. This Term of School was taught by MISS ADA S. ALEXANDER, Goshen. This was her first effort, and she found it to be a work, as many others have found by experience, which can only be performed by constant care, and love of the same. Miss ALEXANDER did very well, but it was not easy, or even natural work for her. It seemed to require considerable urging and perseverance to keep the Scholars interested, rather than by incentives which teachers usually present as incentives to study and improve. The examination was very good, showing marked improvement in the Scholars, and reflecting much credit upon the Teacher.

WINTER TERM.—Length of School, 11 weeks. The services of Miss ELLEN M. SAWYER, of Marlow, were secured for the Winter Term of School. This was Miss SAWYER'S 2nd Term in this District. She has had some considerable experience in teaching, and therefore was at home in the School room, and succeeded admirably. The Scholars, though small, improved rapidly, and all seemed to know what would please their Teacher best, and were anxious to do the work assigned them. The examination was very good, and this School satisfactory. There had been some sickness in the School District during the year, which detracted the interest of the Scholars, and affected the attendance more or less.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Carl J. Carey.*

DISTRICT No. 5. SUMMER TERM.—Length of School 8 weeks. The School in this District secured Miss ABBIE D. NEWMAN, of Washington, as Teacher. This was Miss NEWMAN's 2nd Term in this School, and she is a very superior Teacher, and understands her work so perfectly that the Scholars are inspired by her words, and her timely assistance, to excel in study and good behaviour. This Term was marked by constant progress, and the examination was satisfactory to the Committee and citizens present.

WINTER TERM.—Length of School 7 weeks. Miss NEWMAN was retained another Term, and the same success attended her efforts this Term that marked the course of last Term, only there were additional advantages attending her instructions. Some of the Scholars had availed themselves of the benefits of the Fall School, so as to take more advanced studies this Term, and thus made the School more interesting and profitable. The examination was very much in advance of any other Term, in the ability of the pupils to answer questions, and solve problems in Mathematics on the black-board. The Teacher's services were perfectly satisfactory, and the School a perfect success.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Mary F. Hodgman, Flora E. Hodgman, Annie E. Hodgman,* Josie A. Pollard,* Abbie E. Hodgman,* Robert J. Richardson, Willie P. Hodgman, Wm. E. Morrison.*

DISTRICT No. 6. WINTER TERM.—Length of School 6 1-2 weeks. In this School District there are but few Scholars, and little money, so that they have but one Term of School in a year, and that is of but few weeks continuance, just long enough to expend the money. Miss MARY E. HAYWARD, from Gilsum, was secured to teach this School. Her scholarship was fair, she taught the School with some degree of success, though it was her first Term. The register shows that the attendance was somewhat irregular. Was not pres-

ent at the closing examination, so as to be able to make a full report. From observation, when the Committee visited the School, and from the record of the School, we judge that Miss HAYWARD earned the compensation given her for teaching, though the footing for wages of Teacher, including board, is larger than any other School per month, in Town, for female services. The query is, did she board with the Prudential Committee?

DISTRICT No. 7. SUMMER TERM.—Length of School, 9 weeks. This Term of School was taught by Miss J. AMANDA LEACH, from Newbury. This was Miss LEACH's 3rd Term in this District. Having taught several years as a profession, she has acquired a reputation, which is a recommend wherever she may go. By many she is thought to be a first-class Teacher. This is the largest School in Town, and is a good School to keep. Many of the Scholars are considerably advanced, and therefore it is less difficult to keep up an interest, than in a small School. The Term closed rather unexpectedly to Scholars and citizens on account of the sudden death of the Teacher's sister.

WINTER TERM.—Length of School 11 weeks. Miss LEACH was again employed to teach this School, making the 4th Term in this District. By her usual tact and management of the School, it made commendable progress. Some of the larger Scholars were attending the Fall School, the first few weeks of this Term, making some considerable difference in the footing of the attendance. But being able to go on in advance in their studies, it did not detract much from the interest of the School. At the close of the Term, all the exercises were very interesting and enjoyable to the visitors and citizens present, it being a very profitable Term of School. Teacher and Scholars acquitted themselves as "Workmen that need not be ashamed."

ROLL OF HONOR.

Lucia H. Cutler,* Abbie J. Cutler,* Earnest F. Cutler,* John J. Allen.*

DISTRICT No. 8. SUMMER TERM.—Length of

School, 9 weeks. This Term of School was taught by MISS ALICE J. DANA, of Acworth. This was Miss DANA's first effort at teaching, and it was a very successful effort indeed. The School was very orderly, and appeared very well at the opening and close of the Term. The Scholars were mostly small, but were interested in their books, and made good advancement. The examination was tastefully arranged, and rendered very pleasant from the variety of exercises in the programme of the afternoon. The Teacher was very successful, and elicited much praise for her pains-taking with the children, and their fine appearance in the School room.

WINTER TE M.—Length of School 10 weeks. Miss ADA M. GLIDDEN, of Unity, was secured to teach this Term of School. Being an experienced Teacher, she was very successful in conducting it throughout the entire Term. There was good discipline, and good improvement, results that follow in the wake of right training and co-operation of Teacher and pupils. The examination was excellent, all of the Scholars did well. Some advanced Scholars in mathematics are deserving of special notice in this Report, having done a good Term's work in Algebra, and gone through National Arithmetic. The instructions were thorough, and the improvement very evident. The School in only one respect need be criticised—in its want of punctuality.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Frank H. Huntoon,* Willie M. O'Brien.

DISTRICT No. 9. SUMMER TERM.—Length of Term 12 weeks. This is the smallest School in Town, and there was only one Term of School during the year. Miss ATTIE S. MARSHALL was employed as Teacher, and was very successful in conducting it through the Term, so that the interest did not wane, though the School was so small. Miss MARSHALL is a superior Teacher, and is an efficient work-man in the School room. She devoted her time and energies to her charge, and the examination convinced all that the money had

been well expended, in supporting a School of that character, and the Teacher and Scholars are to be commended for their zeal and success, in making so clear record of their School. The absences that occurred were, 1st., two half days, in one case on account of sick head-ache of the scholar, and the other rendering assistance to a sick mother at home, conclusively showing that they were unavoidable absences. And secondly, another Scholar was credited 3 1-2 days absence, and 4 tardy marks.

RECAPITULATION.

Number School Districts.....	9
“ Terms of School, including Fall Term,	17
Length of all Summer Schools, weeks.....	70 1-2
“ Winter “ including }	83
Fall Term..... }	
Average length of the Schools, in weeks }	10
of five days each..... }	
No. of Scholars enrolled, four years of age }	122
and upward..... }	
No. of Boys.....	62
“ Girls.....	60
Average daily attendance.....	95
How many have had no absences for the }	23
School year..... }	
How many have had only one absent or }	23
tardy mark }	
No. of Male Teachers, including Fall Term..	3
No. of weeks taught by Male Teachers.....	29
Average wages of Male Teachers, includ- }	\$ 22 50
ing board, and \$60 00 Fall Term..... }	
No. of Female Teachers.....	14
“ weeks taught by Female Teachers....	124
Average wages of Females, including board..	\$ 18 00
No. Teachers teaching for the first time.....	5
“ “ “ the same School two }	4
or more Terms..... }	
Teachers Salaries.....	\$ 750 00
Miscellaneous expenses.....	\$ 54 26
No. Official visits of Superintending Com....	30

Amount paid Supt. Com. for services and } expenses.....	34 34
Total amount of expenditures.....	\$ 838 26
Average expense of the current expenses } for each enrolled scholar.....	\$ 16 87

The School Committee would very respectfully call the attention of Prudential Committees to their duties in reference to things required by law.

1st.—In regard to hiring Teachers, suitable Teachers, not the first applicant, but the best should be secured.

2nd.—That no Teacher is entitled to pay until the Register is completed, and the Teacher returns it to the Superintending Committee, and takes a receipt for same.

The duties of the Superintending School Committee are equally explicit. They are required by law, and he is entitled to full compensation, and for neglect he will be subject to a fine not exceeding \$ 50 00. “Examine chapter 43, Laws of 1874, Section 3 and 4.”

The School Committee submits the above report, trusting that all citizens interested in the Schools of Lempster, will, at least, feel that they have contributed to the interests of the Town by their means, in the appreciation of the labors of Teachers, and witnessing the improvement their pupils have made in our Schools, and in future will not withhold their support from them, but by co-operation and constant watchfulness, keep pace with the march of progress, and thus cause the rising generation to go forth to make their mark in the world, by making it better for having lived in this nineteenth century.

Very Respectfully,

CHARLES D. STAFFORD.

EXPLANATION BY THE PRINTER.—The copy for the Report of Lempster being received rather late for publication for delivery on Saturday before March Meeting, and so much more matter contained in the School Report than was anticipated, necessitated the “*driving out*” of the carefully prepared tables annexed to the Report of each district. We printed two of them, but found *time* pressed upon us, and were therefore o-

bliged to abandon them, though much to our regret. In fact, the Superintendent's Report was too voluminous for the short time we had for the attention it deserved, besides having on hand three other large Reports to complete within the given time. We ask for the forbearance of the Superintendent and the Town. In future we would recommend the preparation and forwarding of the Superintendent's Report one week at least in advance of the financial portion.

D. S. HAMLIN.



James A. Hunt,
HEADQUARTERS

—FOR—

BOOTS, SHOES & RUBBER GOODS !

CHARLESTOWN, - N. H.

New Goods,

New Styles !

—AND—

BOTTOM PRICES !

Goods Advancing!

Times getting better !

But in order to increase business and let the people know that I can beat all competition as to prices and quality, I shall sell my goods at lower prices than ever. Why so, you ask? I answer, because I gave my order for Spring Goods in advance of the season, on CASH TERMS, and on Cash Terms with the purchaser, if I cant back up this statement, who can !

YOURS RESPECTFULLY,

JAMES A. HUNT.